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Student Deferment Bases Vary

With many students beginning a new semester some reference to student deferments may be of interest to a number of readers. The Selective Service newsletter recently treated this subject and emphasized the wide discretionary powers given to the local board in this connection, as with most classification matters.

Under Section 1622.25 (a) of the regulations a II-S, student deferment, is provided for "any registrant whose activity in study is found to be necessary to the maintenance of the national health, safety, or interest." Although Section 1622.25 (b) lists various criteria for determining the "necessity" of study, such as class standing and test scores, these are not meant to be binding on the discretion of the local board. And furthermore, in some instances strict adherence to these criteria may not be possible.

College student certificates (Forms 109 and 103) are devices for reporting on student status, but the fact that no such forms are in the file does not bar deferment in Class II-S, so long as the evidence is on hand in some form. It also is not necessary for a student to have completed a semester or a year of study to be considered for Class II-S.

A student deferment in Class I-S is called a statutory deferment. One part of the regulation pertains to high school students who are to be placed in Class I-S (H) until they have completed their high school training or until they have attained the age of twenty, whichever comes first.

Section 1622.15 (b) refers to college students and is intended to avoid hardship for those called for induction during an academic year. It provides that a student doing full-time satisfactory college work, though not eligible for a II-S, be allowed to complete the academic year. This I-S (C) deferment cannot be had in succeeding years.

A college student who is a conscientious objector may endanger his eligibility for a Class I-O if he would seek a I-S, since technically this is for students "ordered to report for induction." Thus, it implies a liability for a call to military service. A student who is classed I-O and is ordered to report for alternative service may request a postponement of his Order to Report for Civilian Work. The local board is required to give such postponement to the end of the school year, conditioned on the continuance of full-time satisfactory pursuit of his education.

News Briefs

The Department of Defense has requested Selective Service to ready 6,000 men for induction during the month of February. All of these men are for assignment to the Army. For the month of January 7,000 men were needed from drafts to fill the approved military strength of the Army.

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Realizing that conscientious objection to military service in Switzerland is still held to be criminal and sentences of long imprisonment are meted out, the Swiss Peace Council renewed its efforts for Swiss CO's. At a meeting on November 29, the council again asked the government that more than mere understanding for the concern of CO's be shown, and that civilian duty for CO's be established in Switzerland as has been established in other European countries.

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The single mimeographed sheet stating briefly the "Current Status of Doctors Under the Draft" has recently been revised and is available in limited quantities without cost. There is no recent new regulation. The revision merely brings up to date the former statement.

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Two Mennonites are scheduled to leave early in 1960 for alternative service in Pakistan. Arnold Harder (Mountain Lake, Minn.) and Marcus Lauver (Scottdale, Pa.) will be assigned to the West Pakistan Christian Council and will operate land leveling machinery in a program of land reclamation for Christian refugees in the southern Thal region. They will be the only alternative service workers in Pakistan.

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A British official credited his country's CO's imprisoned during World War I with responsibility for a great move forward in prison reform. Because of their clear conscience and their stand for their beliefs, they were able to stand up to authority, express opinion and organize activities, the Secretary of the National Association of Probation Officers said. When the government refused to investigate the prison system CO's made and published their own study.

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The Ohio State Selective Service Director, Colonel Harold L. Hays, issued a certificate to the Reverend O. N. Johns (pastor emeritus of a Mennonite Church in Louisville, Ohio) for his outstanding service in counselling with CO's in Ohio. Hays cited his splendid cooperation and "fairness to the individual registrants, to the Government and to the other agencies and persons concerned." The help of the Mennonite pastor was stated to be an important factor in the successful operation of the conscientious objector program in Ohio.

I-W's Come from Many Faiths

According to figures for August 1, 1959, there were 1,825 conscientious objectors at work. From 1,501 we have response to our questionnaire about religious affiliation, roughly 82% of the total.

In order to help denominations keep in touch with their men in alternative service a system has been arranged with Selective Service whereby the NSBRO can contact the men for this information.

Since the beginning of the alternative service program in 1952, the greatest majority of the I-W's have come from the three historic peace churches. In the present tabulation the Mennonites alone comprise more than 63% of all the I-W's at work. Men from the Church of the Brethren account for just over 10%. The remainder are divided among 44 groups.

AFFILIATION	CURRENT I-Ws
Assemblies of God	1
Association of Bible Students	8
Baptist	5
Buddhist	1
Christadelphian	5
Christ's Sanctified Holy Church	5
Church of Christ	8
Church of God	6
Church of God and Saints of Christ	1
Church of God in Christ	1
Church of God of the Faith of Abraham	1
Church of God (Seventh Day)	9
Church of our Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith	1
Church of the Blessed Hope	1
Church of the Brethren	188
Church of the Nazarene	2
Disciples of Christ	1
Dunkard Brethren	4
Episcopalian	1
Ethical Culture	1
Faith Tabernacle	1
Followers of Jesus Christ	4
Free Brethren	1
Free Methodist	1
Friends, Religious Society of	43
Holiness Church	1
Hutterian Brethren	7
Jehovah's Witnesses	12
Jesus' Name Holiness	1
Lutheran	1
Mennonite and Brethren in Christ	1,074
Methodist	18
Old German Baptist Brethren	40
Order of Aaron	2
Pentecostal	3
Plymouth Brethren	4
Presbyterian	5
Radio Church of God	2
Roman Catholic	2
Russian Molokan	2
Seventh Day Baptist Church	1
Unitarian	3
United Brethren	1
United Church of Christ (Cong. and E&R)	5
United Zion	1
World Fellowship Church of Deliverance	1
No Affiliation	15

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